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SUBJECT: FRG PREPARATION FOR HAVANA WORLD YOUTH FESTIVAL

- 1. ERIK BETTERMANN, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE GERMAN FEDERAL YOUTH COUNCIL (DBJR), WILL ATTEND THE APRIL 6-9 INTERNATIONAL PREPARATORY COMMITTEE MEETING IN HAVANA WHICH IS MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE 1978 WORLD FESTIVAL OF YOUTH AND STUDENTS. FOUR OTHER FRG YOUTH REPS, REPRESENTING BOTH DBJR GROUPS AND COMMUNIST-FRONT GROUPS, WILL ACCOMPANY BETTERMANN TO HAVANA.
- 2. ON HIS RETURN HOME, BETTERMANN WILL PASS THROUGH WASHINGTON APRIL 14-15. HE HAS ALREADY SET UP MEETINGS WITH THE U.S. YOUTH COUNCIL (CONTACT: LARRY SPECHT) AND THE FRG EMBASSY, IN ORDER TO DISCUSS THE HAVANA MEETING AND IN PARTICULAR WAYS FOR THE WEST TO OFFSET MASSIVE COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA AT THE 1978 FESTIVAL. BETTERMANN WANTS VERY MUCH TO DISCUSS THESE POINTS WITH STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS WHO COVER YOUTH AFFAIRS.
- 3. THE EMBASSY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS MEET WITH BETTERMANN. HE CAN BE REACHED VIA LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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